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Police appeal for witnesses after suspect charged

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A teenage girl was dragged from a Pizza Hut, stabbed and raped in the centre of Epsom.

A member of staff at Pizza Hut in Waterloo Road, Epsom, challenged her attacker and was injured in the process, but the 17-year-old victim was bundled out of the restaurant at 10.36pm on Friday, June 17.

Surrey Police officers were called to the restaurant and searched the area for both the suspect and the victim.

She was later found in Court Recreation Ground and taken to hospital with "serious" but "not life threatening" injuries, including a suspected stab wound to the abdomen.

Costica Voedes, 32, of High Street, Epsom, was charged with nine offences including rape and kidnap.

Epsom Guardian readers reacted with shock to the news of the attack.

Commenting on Facebook Melissa Breeden wrote: "Over the last few years I think Epsom has gone so downhill.

"I hope the young lady makes a speedy recovery."

Samantha Cragg added: "This is awful. My thoughts are with the young lady and her family."

Elaine McGee wrote: "That is such a shock. I have never heard of anything like this happening in Epsom.

"I always thought it was a nice area."

Detective Inspector Nick Chambers, of Surrey Police, said: "This was clearly a very serious incident where a young woman has been subjected to an horrific ordeal and we are in the process of carrying out a thorough and detailed investigation to establish what happened.

"Epsom on Friday night is a



Scene of crime: The Pizza Hut restaurant in Waterloo Road, Epsom and, top right, the park where she was found

busy place so I'm sure passers-by and motorists must have seen this incident unfolding.

"A member of staff at Pizza Hut tried to intervene when the man entered the restaurant and suffered injuries to his arm as a result, but fortunately his injuries are not believed to be serious.

"We are working closely with

our safer neighbourhood team colleagues and we will have an increased high visibility presence in the area over the coming days to reassure and update Epsom residents and business owners."

Mr Voedes appeared at South East Surrey Magistrates' Court in Redhill on Monday, June 20, but did not indicate a plea.

He will next appear at Guildford Crown Court on Thursday, July 21.

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TRIAL DATE: A man accused of raping a woman in Belmont will stand trial next year. Damian Ray, 38, is alleged to have attacked the woman in The Crescent on August 2, 2015. He is also charged with two counts of attempted rape and one count of sexual assault against the same alleged victim on the same date. Ray, of Beech Grove, Epsom Downs, appeared at Croydon Crown Court on June 8 and pleaded not guilty to all of the charges. His trial is set for January 9 at the same court. After Ray's first appearance at Croydon Magistrates Court in May, he was released on conditional bail under instructions not to contact the woman or enter The Crescent.

PLANNING APPLICATION: An application has been filed to demolish two buildings on Cheam Road, Ewell and replace them with a new four-storey building with 17 flats. To view the application, search for 16/00166/FUL at Epsom and Ewell Borough Council's planning portal.

AMBULANCE APOLOGY: Administrators at South East Coast Ambulance Service have apologised for excessive response times as new figures revealed they received, on average, more than 2,000 emergency calls a day since January.

Residents fear the displacement of badgers and bats and say mature trees already felled

Neighbours' anger at proposed development's effects on wildlife

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PLANS to build a quartet of homes on green space has provoked fury among neighbours who claim wildlife such as badgers and bats will be displaced.

Campaigners from about 50 households in or near Links Road, Epsom, have vowed to fight the application for four houses to be built on a clearing in the centre of a residential area.

They believe the development would destroy a habitat for badgers and birds and mature trees, impinge on their right to privacy, cause disturbance during construction, result in a loss of valued green space, and put strain on local schools and hospitals.

The group, called 'Save Links Road' also allege the land owner, Keith Madders, previously felled ma-

ture trees in the green space in 2007.

Mr Madders denies any wrongdoing and maintains the campaigners would also sell the land for development if they were in his position.

Jasper Ehrhardt, 43, from Save Links Road has lived in Links Road for three years. He said: "They went in overnight and stole the woodland. It has really raised anger in the neighbourhood and united everyone because it is such an injustice."

Keith Madders, who now lives in Hove, said reports carried out into previous applications for the site supported his claim.

An ecology report is yet to be carried out for the most recent application, but a biodiversity survey carried out in the area in 2014 for an application that was ultimately withdrawn found no negative impact on local wildlife.

Mr Madders said: "It is absolutely untruthful to say there was any illegal cutting. I left the property full

of beautiful mature trees because they add something to the neighbourhood. There were no bats there nor were there badgers. If there were, we would see them."

Catriona Head, 57, a retired nurse said she "did not oppose" the application, and described her neighbours' reaction as a "storm in a teacup".

She said: "I've never



Campaigners from about 50 households in or near Links Road, Epsom, have vowed to fight the application for four houses

seen a badger there in 26 years here."

Mr Ehrhardt from the Save Links Road group sympathised with the need for houses to be built in the borough, but felt there were other, more appropriate, sites available.

He added: "We understand the council is under pressure to build more houses, but it is not needed here. It is too many houses for this

space. There is an abundance of housing space nearby, and to build here would add pressure on schools and hospitals. We trust that the council will listen to common sense."

To view the application, set to be discussed at a planning committee on July 21 search 16/00213/FUL at Epsom and Ewell Borough Council's planning portal.

Vandals dump newspapers on street

VANDALS dumped a "lorry-load" of newspapers along a Worcester Park street.

A trail of papers stretching half-way along Central Road, Worcester Park, was first spotted at 5am June 15.

Bins had been hurled over amid the mess, which extended from Sainsbury's to the towards the Pizza Express restaurant.

Richard Johnson, a member of the Worcester Park Residents' Association, said there was no way it could have been accidental.

He said: "There's no doubt. It

was deliberate.

"The papers were flung along the high street for about a quarter of a mile, and they were on both sides of the street.

"For those bins to go over they would really need heavy wind, and we didn't get that, and they were knocked over in different directions with no continuity – so it definitely wasn't caused by something like that."

A Metropolitan Police spokesman said the force received reports of a "lorry-load" of newspapers dumped along the street this morning.



The scene that greeted people on the morning of June 15

Mouse jockey wins contest

THE winner of the Epsom Derby by window display competition has said her inspiration came from recycling tips from the council.

Gill Catcheside, co-founder of The Stitch Mouse, in South Street said: "We received the brief from the council about recycling, and decided to hone in on that. All the ladies came up with an idea to do a horse, so we

concentrated on the main parts of the derby: the horses, the finishing line, the colours, and the jockey, which, of course, had to be a mouse."

Ms Catcheside, 50, and her two co-founders, Lyn French and Hazel McLellan, built the window display using recycled garments, cardboard and other decorative items from around their shop.



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Veteran's French honneur

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A 92-YEAR-OLD Chessington great-grandfather has become a French Knight after being awarded the country's highest military honour.

Arthur Burt, of Compton Crescent, was given the Légion d'Honneur because of his bravery at the Normandy landings during the Second World War.

Mr Burt was 18 years old when he was conscripted and joined the Royal Artillery.

On June 6, 1944, at just 21, he found himself storming the beaches in northern France as part of unit in charge of heavy guns.

He said: "I watched the shelling from the boat. I was on an American ship at the time because the equipment we had was so big and towing six tonnes of ammunition.

"A boat in front of me was hit and completely blown to dust. It was dust and everyone on it was dust. It was consuming, scary.

"The Germans had put mines on top of each other [leading up to the beach]. We got the message we weren't welcome."

When Mr Burt reached the beach, the operation was not the swift victory that many had been led to believe it would be.

He said: "We didn't move out of the beach for five weeks. It was hell there. Many gave their lives and



Pride: Arthur Burt, of Compton Crescent, was given the Légion d'Honneur because of his bravery at the Normandy landings

most gave up their youth on those beaches."

Mr Burt left the army in 1946, a year after the armistice.

He said: "My regiment was created for the war so it was disbanded. I had to wait in Germany for more than a year before I could go home though.

"After the war I became a shop fitter and then a contracts officer. An old soldier never retires and I worked with my tools until I was 85."

Mr Burt was awarded the Chevalier (Knight) degree of the order at

a ceremony at the French embassy in Knightsbridge on May 27, joined by his daughter and son-in-law.

In a letter to Mr Burt, Sylvie Bermann, the French ambassador to the United Kingdom, wrote: "As we contemplate this Europe of peace, we must never forget the heroes like you, who came from Britain and the Commonwealth to begin the liberation of Europe by liberating France.

"We owe our freedom and security to your dedication, because you were ready to risk your life."

Land of hope and celebrations

LEATHERHEAD residents celebrated the Queen's 90th birthday in style with a 1950s themed tea party, pictured below.

The event, organised by the Pioneer Engage Church, drew a packed crowd to the Church Hall at St Mary & St Nicholas Hall.

Organiser Rachel Hopper said: "The entire room was decked out with bunting, flags, a gramophone and a candy shop for children, as well as a photo-booth where families dressed up and had their pictures with a cardboard cut-out Prince Harry."

Chris Newton, a member of the organising team, said: "We were delighted at the high turnout and

the enjoyment of everybody as they ate 50s food from paste sandwiches to blancmange."

The tea party on Sunday, June 12, was the last of several events organised by the Church in honour of her Majesty's tenth century.

On Thursday, June 9, guests were treated to drinks and canapes on the lawn at St John's School, followed by a performance from world class pianist Bobby Chen.

Gerald Coates of Pioneer Engage Church, said: "It was a long, exhausting weekend, but with such good weather and goodwill, residents, business people and the Pioneer Engage Church were thrilled with the events."



Sweet scent of summer



Colourful displays: The annual show with Margaret Angus, right, and Steve James, below

EWELL Horticultural Association (EHA) held its second show of the year at Blenheim High School on Saturday.

The summer show, which was open to exhibitors and the public from 2.30pm at the Epsom-based school displayed different types of flowers, plot plants, fruit, vegetables, cookery, as well as handicraft and colourful floral art creations.

The next is the autumn show which will be on September 3, and starts 2.30pm for which entrance is free but classes will cost just 20p per entry.

All shows have refreshments



on hand in the form of homemade cakes and there will be stalls selling plants, bulbs, floral art accessories, gardening equipment and greetings cards.

There will also be a raffle and competitions that children can enter.

The EHA is a non-profit making organisation which is based within the community and is run by volunteers.

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Demolition for centre

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DIGGERS have destroyed a flagship education centre of a Surrey wildlife organisation to make way for new facilities despite an ongoing appeal for the last £85,000 to fund the project. Work began on Surrey Wild-

life Trust's (SWT) new education centre in Nower Wood, Leatherhead on Wednesday, June 15, as buildings dating back 45 years were demolished. The Trust plans to replace them with three new classrooms in a single-storey centre surrounded by 81 acres of ancient woodland. Despite a £22,540 grant from the Veolia Environmental Trust and more than £1 million in donations the Trust is still short of funds for the project. Mole Valley District Council granted planning permission for the new centre in February 2015. The council's planning committee approved the demolition of six existing buildings and construction of a new centre provided wildlife is protected and disabled access is provided.

Museum holds presentation to honour Battle of Somme



Visitors to Bourne Hall got up close and personal to history with the first of a series of presentations commemorating the Battle of the Somme

ON Saturday Bourne Hall Museum held the first of a series of presentations to commemorate 100 years since The Battle of the Somme. The free event was held at Bourne Hall Park and was displayed by the 10th Essex living history group. At the presentation, people were able to see what life was like for the soldiers during the battle which lasted 141 days and is possibly the most famous conflict of World War One. Equipment and weapons used by the soldiers in trench warfare were on show for people to see, the same weapons which contributed to The Battle of the Somme being one of the bloodiest battles of the war, resulting in more than 1.5 million casualties. On June 30, there will be a showing of the film 'The Battle of the Somme' as well as an act of remembrance in the Park at 9pm. More showings are on July 7 at 2pm, July 9 at 10am, and July 13 at 8pm. All showings are free and run for about 72 minutes.

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No jail for child pics

A MAN who downloaded more than 1,000 indecent images of children after becoming obsessed aged just 14 and used the internet to share pictures of himself and a lover has been spared jail.

Jack Sprenger, 21, of Bridgefield Close, Banstead, was sentenced at Guildford Crown Court last week for downloading and distributing images over a six-year period. He was given a three-year community order in which he must attend 60 days at a sexual offenders' programme, and must sign the sex offenders' register for five years. Sprenger developed an interest in sexual images of young children when he was 14, the court heard. In total, he 'made' 1,152 indecent images of children on or before November 11, 2015. The charge of 'making' an image normally refers to downloading it onto a computer. Sprenger also distributed images of himself and a young man when Sprenger was 17.

Defending, Mr Rod Hayler, said within a week of his arrest, Sprenger had sought help from a sexual abuse charity and a therapist.

Sprenger admitted three charges of making indecent images of children, and one charge of distributing such images at Redhill Magistrates' Court on May 16.

Premier Inn to be built, as fears are also raised about smoking and drains

Hotel proposals approved despite parking concerns

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A FOUR-STOREY, 57-bed hotel will be built in Epsom town centre after the council's planning committee approved plans, despite concerns over parking, smoking and drainage issues.

The Comrades Club in The Parade, Epsom, will be demolished to make way for the Premier Inn hotel and will be replaced with new club facilities.

Multinational hoteliers Whitbread's fresh bid for the site was approved by Epsom and Ewell Borough Council's planning committee on Thursday, June 16.

Residents and councillors had raised concerns over parking, the proximity of the hotel's smoking area to the pavement, and drainage of sewage from the building.

A spokesman for the Comrade Club said 121 members had unanimously approved their support for the applica-



The Comrades Club in The Parade, Epsom, will be demolished

tion at a group meeting as it would "guarantee the future of the club".

Bob Blaker, a member of the club's management committee, told the committee:

"We are a vibrant community institution in Epsom and for many of our members the club is a huge part of their lives. Our current building is old and expensive to maintain, but the new facilities will be clean, safe and easy to maintain, and will allow us to offer our members more ac-

tivities. This development is the best chance of survival."

Ten committee members voted to approve Whitbread's plans. Two abstained.

Cllr Tina Mountain was one of two committee members – alongside Labour's Vince Romagnuolo – who abstained from the vote.

She said: "With (guests in) 57 rooms, staff, and local visitors to the club, where on earth are they going to park? We're going to be desperately short of car parking space in

Epsom. The smoking area is right by the pavement, and I think that is thoroughly disgusting."

She also asked: "Has anyone checked the drainage system – can it cope?"

Previous applications for an 82-bedroom hotel and 77-bedroom hotel on the site, both also four storeys high, were rejected in 2009 and 2011 respectively.

They were rejected because plans were deemed to be "out of keeping with the character and context of the surrounding area" due to "bulk, height and mass", according to Mark Berry, head of planning and building control at the council.

Owen Ellander, a development manager for Whitbread, the agent for Premier Inn, said: "There will be the benefit of new jobs, the investment (the hotel) will bring to the area, and not least of all, the additional footfall it will bring. It is obviously incredibly important we engage with our neighbours and we will do that, as well as work alongside retailers."

MARCUS BENT: Former Premier League footballer Marcus Bent has been fined after being found in possession of cocaine at Chessington World of Adventures. Journeyman striker Bent, 38, was fined £385 and £85 costs after pleading guilty at Wimbledon Magistrate's Court on Tuesday, June 21. He was arrested at the theme park on Monday.

SOUTHERN STRIKE: Commuters faced frustration, disruption and cancellations on Tuesday, June 21, as Southern train conductors went on strike for 24 hours. Conductors went on strike over planned changes to the role of the train conductor on 12-carriage trains. The RMT union claim the planned changes are unsafe, a claim that is disputed by Southern rail.

CLOSE CALL: Mole Valley and Epsom & Ewell wards have been identified as two of the 15 most finely balanced constituencies ahead of the EU Referendum, according to banking institution JP Morgan. The UK goes to the polls over its EU membership today, Thursday, June 23.

INTIMIDATION ACCUSATION: The brother of a man accused of rape has been charged with intimidating a witness. Simon Ray, 41, will appear at Croydon Magistrates Court on July 1 accused of intimidating a resident of The Crescent in Sutton. Ray, of Danetree Road, in Epsom, was charged with witness intimidation on 21 May.

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Fatal crash sees whole community gather to support family

Woman staying strong after death of fiancé

REPORTER

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THE fiancée of a "gentle giant" who died in a car crash earlier this month is staying strong for their 19-month-old daughter – who "reminds [her] of him every day".

Kostas Giannakakis, 34, died after crashing his silver Volkswagen Passat at the roundabout of Brighton Road and Babylon Lane in Lower Kingswood in the early hours of Sunday, June 12 on his way home from a work event in Brighton.

He leaves behind daughter Christine and his partner of six years and fiancée Celeste Swart, 34, parents Nico and Charmaine, and brothers Nico and Dillon.

His family are from Richards Bay, South Africa.

They met at The Slug in Wimbledon, six years ago. The couple were engaged in January 2014, and she became pregnant with their daughter Christine the following month. They had not yet set a wedding date when Mr Giannakakis died.



Kostas Giannakakis with Celeste Swart and daughter Christine

A table in their house in Windermere Avenue, Morden, is brimming over with family photographs and flowers delivered by friends and neighbours.

Ms Swart said: "All of our friends and neighbours have been here offering condolences, giving me flowers and saying if I needed anything they were here for me. It's amazing. One neigh-

bour came in and said he used to call him 'the gentle giant'. He had such a big heart and was so friendly to everyone. I think he would have been completely taken aback."

Ms Swart said that the proud father was devoted to Christine and described her as "his life".

She said Christine would drink juice from her dad's glass when he was eating dinner – not from her own cup, or from her mother's glass – kiss him goodnight through the balustrade of her cot, and then wake him in the morning.

Ms Swart said: "Every morning I would hear, 'Hello, baby girl. How are you?' I think she looks more like him than me, so luckily he has left me a bit of himself. I'm sad that she isn't going to get to know him."

Ms Swart has vowed to fill the family's home with pictures of Mr Giannakakis to let the toddler know who her father was.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday, June 28, and his ashes scattered in South Africa. Surrey Police are appealing for witnesses. Call 101, quoting incident reference P16132483.

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Beads help ill children

SERIOUSLY ill young patients at Epsom Hospital are using special beads to help keep track of their treatment and share recovery stories.

Patients are given the beads to mark particular milestones, a specific act of courage or stage in their treatment, as well as for each day of treatment.

Every child has their name spelled out in beads and each child can organise their collection however they like in order to build a story personal to them.

Jo Dodge, Play Specialist at Epsom Hospital, said: "The children we look after have a lot to contend with. Beads of Courage is a way of helping them, and others, to celebrate their achievements and recognise every milestone they reach."

Six year-old Rhea Oke was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia, which affects the lymphocytes – the white blood cells mostly used to fight viral infections – in December 2015.

Mum Carley Oke said: "Rhea is six months into her treatment and has been tracking her progress with her Beads of Courage. The beads help us give extra encouragement to Rhea when she is going through different treatments."

More than 60 workshops and classes to take place over the weekend to inspire community

Creative talents to get spiced up with town's first ever arts festival

REPORTER

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EPSOM and Ewell's first ever arts festival, and possibly also the first to be named after a chemical formula gets under way this weekend.

Named for Epsom salts which made the town famous nearly 400 years ago, the MgSO₄ (magnesium sulphate) festival runs between Friday, June 24 and Sunday, June 26.

More than 60 art, writing, and music workshops, kid's crafts, performances and exhibitions will take place across the borough over the weekend.

While some events charge a small booking fee, others are free to explore.

The non-profit organisation aims to inspire residents and started with a letter in 2015 to *The Epsom Guardian*.

In answer to the question why there was no representation of the artists and performers around the area, art-



Composer Ben Tompsett and singer Beth Keens, 12

ist Sarah Dewing and What's On Epsom offered to host a meeting for anyone who was willing to start an Arts Festival.

The meeting was so popular they ran out of chairs.

MgSO₄ formally launched on June 8 with guests including the Mayor Councillor George Crawford.

At the event, chairman and festival director Ms Dewing said: "As an artist myself, I am very proud to be involved with this ambitious venture,

which has evolved out of a collective desire to elevate and celebrate the status of the arts in Epsom and Ewell.

"The name for the festival symbolises our intention to make Epsom a creative hub once again, and celebrate the unique character of our town."

MgSO₄ are holding a young musician competition and a poetry competition, and if you're looking to get even more hands on, you can volunteer.



Epsom Youth Big Band

Visit mgso4festival.org.

MGS04 Festival Highlights

Becoming a children's author: Top tips

Saturday, June 25, 3pm to 4pm

Bourne Hall, Ewell

Ticket costs: £7

Aspiring children's authors can get some insider knowledge with this talk from Clare Somerville, deputy managing director of Hachette Children's Books.

An evening with Michael Frayn

Friday, June 24 7:30pm

Bourne Hall, Ewell,

Adult £12 + booking fee, Concession £10.80 + booking fee, Under 16: £8.50 + booking fee.

Join celebrated novelist, playwright and Ewell native, Michael Frayn, for the evening.

Michael will be discussing his work and the inspiration that his childhood in Ewell has provided.

The audience will also be treated to highlights of rare footage from Frayn's 1978 BBC documentary about Ewell.

Charlotte Turnbull

Saturday, June 25 5:30pm

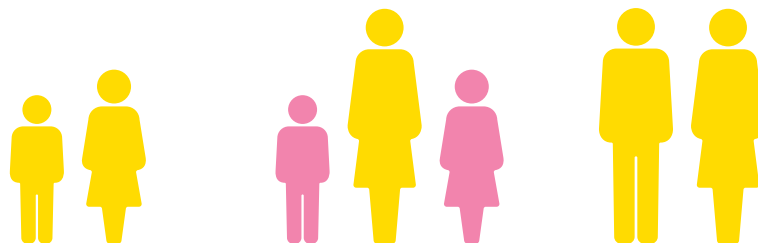
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The Voice contestant, Charlotte Turnbull, headlines the acoustic showcase event Live in Derby Square.

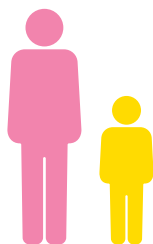
Charlotte attended NE-SCOT College in Ewell, and began recording music covers in her bedroom and uploading them onto YouTube just two years ago.

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RACHEL DICKERSON looks at how police dogs are trained to hunt out narcotics, explosives and evidence

Canines on prowl to sniff out crimes

AT a sprawling dog training centre in leafy Surrey, crack canine cops are trained to tackle hardened criminals, sniff out narcotics, explosives and evidence at crime scenes.

A joint force operation between Surrey and Sussex Police trains some of the country's most sought-after canines which are born and bred at the Mount Browne centre in Guildford.

The training school, which caters for more than 40 dogs, operates to supply initial, refresher and instructor training for the Surrey and Sussex Police Operational Dog Section, as well as other UK and international police forces.

Dog training instructor PC Simon Boylett said the "distinguished training" at the school was all done in-house and described what makes a new recruit.

He said: "What we're looking for is a dog that is a little bit boisterous,

that charges about everywhere, that wants to be running around everywhere.



"It's far easier to dampen them down than perk them up. What you want is a dog that will work independently from the handler.

"If you have a dog that's too clingy,

that's not willing to work for their reward, they won't become police dogs."

Training newly-born pups is set to start again for PC Boylett, after a litter of German Shepherd puppies, dubbed 'I' litter, were born to his police dog Maggie.

Born at the beginning of May, the pups are nearly ready to receive visitors and undertake their first tests.

PC Boylett said at about eight weeks old, the pups will start their development training with their handlers, and at three months old, will begin using a scent pad, where trainers drop small pieces of food for the dog to find in a small area.

From about six months old, the dogs start small amounts of bite work on protective arm-guards that trainers wear, moving on to barking and biting on command.

PC Boylett said: "Through their life they come back to do training with their handler for a couple of weeks a year. We try and keep our



Getting collared: Rachel Dickerson, left, experiences the dog training first hand

litters in Surrey and Sussex but it sometimes depends on when we have the space, it's all about if the dog is needed. We sell them to other forces when they become adults. But if you use a stud dog from the Met, we'd give them a pick of the litter as payment."

Once fully trained, the dogs will go on to work with police forces, the Tactical Firearms Unit and Tactical Support Team, Surrey Fire

and Rescue, and the HM Prison Service most days between 8am and 4pm, before retiring at about five or six years old.

If one of the puppies from the litter is not suited to become a police dog, it will be offered back to their initial puppy walker to adopt.

PC Boylett described the loyalty the dogs are prepared to show their handlers, recalling the time his first police dog was punched

in the head by an irate reveler and she bit him to defend her handler.

He said: "It proves that when needed, they're very loyal and you get a very special bond with them."

PC Boylett said the dogs are also imperative to finding missing people: "When you find them the reward is great, where they've been missing and you've saved their lives it's what you joined up for."

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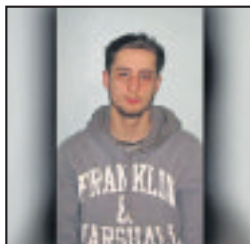
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Frank Fisher

Wild driver avoids jail

A TEENAGER has avoided an immediate prison sentence after he led police on a high-speed chase from Chessington to Twickenham.

Fisher, 18, of Upper Hallford Road, Sunbury, admitted attempted theft of a motor vehicle, attempted burglary, dangerous driving, driving without a licence, driving without insurance, failing to stop for an officer, aggravated vehicle theft, handling stolen goods and going equipped for theft at Wimbledon Magistrates Court last week.

The chase happened on May 25.

He was sentenced to 20 weeks in a young offenders' institution, suspended for 12 months, disqualified from driving for a year and ordered to pay £200.

Animals, cancer victims and ex-military set to benefit from marathon ride

Bikers circumnavigating GB to raise cash for charities

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A TADWORTH man is getting back in the saddle for a cross-country motorbike ride with his son to raise money for charities helping animals, people with cancer or progressive illnesses, and ex-military personnel.

Alan Joseph, 69, from Boxhill Road, Tadworth, will be riding alongside his son Philip, 50, who lives in Stowmarket, and 10 other motorbike enthusiasts. The group, who call themselves the Alien Riders, will set off from Stowmarket on Saturday.

Following the coast northwards to John O'Groats, they will then ride down the west coast to Wales, Devon and Land's End, then along the south coast before curving back up to East Anglia.

The group expect the trip to take about two weeks, and will be camping under the stars on most of the nights.



Alan Joseph, 69, from Boxhill Road, Tadworth, will be riding with his son Philip.

Mr Joseph senior, a former swimming pool sales manager, got his first motorbike aged 16, but gave up riding when he started a family in his twenties. He picked it up again a few years ago.

With the encouragement of his son, he will be getting back in the saddle as the group collect donations for The Brooke, Macmillan

cancer charity, the British Legion and St Elizabeth Hospice in Suffolk.

The Brooke helps educate communities across the world reliant on working horses, mules and donkeys in how to properly care for their animals.

He said: "I've seen that these people don't mean to treat the animals badly, it's

just a lack of education, and the Brooke is training communities all the time to improve the animals' lives.

"The group are covering our own costs.

"It means we're relying on the kindness of our hosts along the way."

To donate, visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ALAN-JOSEPH2>.

Tributes to murdered MP Jo Cox

MPS from Epsom & Ewell, Reigate & Banstead and Mole Valley have paid tribute to "popular and hardworking" Jo Cox, after the Labour politician was murdered.

Chris Grayling, Crispin Blunt and Sir Paul Beresford spoke out after Mrs Cox, 41, a mother of two young children and MP for Batley and Spen in Yorkshire, was killed last Thursday.

Mr Grayling, MP for Epsom & Ewell, said: "This is a total tragedy. She was a smart young MP who had made a real impact. To lose her in this way is devastating for her family and a bitter blow for all of us in Parliament."

Mr Blunt, MP for Reigate & Banstead, said: "In an impressive group of new representatives from all parties elected in 2015 she had already made her mark. It was her extraordinary combination of intelligence, humour, enthusiasm and energy that had already established her as an outstanding parliamentarian of her generation."

Sir Paul, MP for Mole Valley, said: "It is absolutely appalling that this can happen to a person in public life who is just trying to do her best."

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Residents united in anger at application for houses in green space in Epsom

There's a bunch of NIMBYs if ever I saw one. I'm not going to pretend they are more worried about Mr and Mrs Badger than the value of their house or the change in view. Would they look twice if it was happening somewhere else in the borough?

EPSOM AND EWELL

This is all above your head! There exist Regulations about not destroying the habitats of badgers, hedgehogs and bats, all of which became victims of the woodland destruction.

MAX ADOLF

I wouldn't trust the planning dept of Epsom Council further than I could throw them.

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Dog troubles

I AM getting fed up with the amount of unruly, untrained dogs who are let off their leads in Alexandra Park on a daily basis.

As a mother of two young children I would really like to see more dog owners show some consideration towards other people in the park.

We attend Wallace Fields Infant school and walk through Alexandra Park to and from school.

On numerous occasions my children have been knocked down and intimidated by hostile dogs. My eldest is now terrified of dogs.

On so many occasions owners seem to think it is acceptable for their dogs to jump on children, bark at them, even knock them to the ground, and then defend their actions by saying things like 'my dog is only playing, is friendly or normally good with kids'.

If I was to push you in the mud, would you think it was a fun game? Just because your dog is fine with your kids or children they know or are familiar with, doesn't mean they are good around other children.

It would not take much effort to keep dogs on leads during busy times.

If you want to keep a dog, you should be prepared to clean up after them, show consideration to others, and please do not sneer and laugh when I try to explain that my children are frightened.

Instead, try to appreciate



Sally Bridge took this photograph while walking through Warren Farm on Sunday. Do you have an image of the borough you wish to share? Email newsdesk@epsomguardian.co.uk

how intimidating it can be for a young child to be surrounded by dogs after having been attacked.

There are a number of kind, intelligent dog owners who can see and understand my struggle to take my terrified child to school and they are able to just stop for a moment and rein their dogs in.

I appreciate this immensely as this shows how easy it can be to get along and avoid any upset.

Unfortunately the rude, selfish and sometimes abusive kind of dog owners are now in majority in Alexandra Park, and I have even had to call the

police after a recent incident which, in my view, could so easily have been avoided by a small show of empathy and consideration.

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No Oyster?

WHILE the issue of fare dodging needs to be addressed at all stations, would it not also be worthwhile investigating what the situation of getting Oyster at Epsom station is.

Quite clearly our MP Mr Grayling has done nothing

since the fabled consultations with Transport for London about two years ago, and the great announcement that last year Epsom was going to be included, then mysteriously wasn't.

This, for the umpteenth time, leaves us no further forward again.

We've all heard it all before.

The man looks foolish in my opinion, anyone else agree?

How do we get this fixed because he certainly won't be the one to get it done regardless of what he tells us.

SCOTT BURNS
West Ewell

Only a few who cause trouble

I AM writing to you in response to the articles and correspondence recently published in the *Epsom Guardian* about the Derby Festival.

The Oaks and the Derby are world class races, watched by millions of people worldwide, in addition to those of us who are fortunate enough to go and watch them live.

If you've not been before, why not come along next year? It really is a great event.

The vast majority of the tens of thousands who come here for the festival are well-behaved, but

it is unfortunate that with any large gatherings such as these there will be a few who cause trouble.

This year there has been particular criticism of the behaviour of some of the travellers and requests for the site not to be provided in future.

I believe that, whether or not a site on the Downs is provided, many travellers will come to the area to be part of the Derby Festival.

If there is not a site for them on the Downs, where will they pitch their camps?

Most likely they will pitch camps in several different locations in this borough and the surrounding ones, which do not have provision for them.

The management of the Downs is governed by an Act of Parliament, which allows the Downs Conservators to give permission for a temporary site for not less than 200 caravans for the Derby Festival.

I believe this authority has been given every year since the first Act in 1936.

As for the behaviour of some of the visitors to the Downs for

the Derby Festival, I agree this was not as we would like.

There will be discussions with all the relevant parties – including the police, racecourse staff and council officers – to look at what happened and the lessons learnt.

We will look at steps that we can take to minimise the disturbance to local residents and provide the opportunity for another excellent festival next year.

COUNCILLOR LIZ FROST
Epsom & Walton Downs
Conservator

The bakery's gone mad, but I've found a way to keep fit

Editor Andrew Parkes has a number of thoughts every week, here are just five of them

5 THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK...

1. That's it, I thought I'd seen it all, but now I know we've gone political correctness mad. Gazing longingly into the window of the local cake shop I noticed it was selling gingerbread men. But, wait for it, they're now calling them "ginger persons". What on earth's next? Will someone decide this is gingerist? Will they then start selling "persons"?

2. By the time you read this you will probably have cast your vote and may even know this country's in/out future. Whatever the decision I couldn't help being surprised when a straw poll was taken at a meeting

of newspaper editors. I was astonished that the large majority were convinced we would vote to leave.

3. Forget fancy gyms, faddy diets and personal health instructors, if you want to get fit go and dig a hole. I had a smashed storm drain and after shifting all the paving slabs I had to dig a hole four feet deep and three metres long (funny how if you're a certain age you can happily use feet and metres). Anyway, it was exhausting and located muscles I'd forgotten I had. If I did

this every day I'd be as fit as a flea.

4. And talking of digging holes – how would you like to be remembered after you die? I hadn't thought about it until this week and anyway, I think that once you're gone you're gone so there's no point worrying about it. I'm certainly not interested in any sort of plaque or headstone. However, having spent a few days in Darlington I've noticed a number of folks have had pubs named after them. Safe to say, I've now decided how I'd like to be remembered by



future generations.

5. Parking must be the simplest, most straightforward element of driving. And frankly if you can't park properly then you shouldn't be on the road. So, why do so many inconsiderate dipsticks insist upon parking across two spaces when they could so easily keep their vehicle within the designated, marked area?

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Princess Anne presents special gong for work with inmates

Rehabilitation charity founder is recognised

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THE “inspirational” founder of a charity that helps rehabilitate inmates at HMP High Down was invited to Buckingham Palace to receive an award for his work.

Alberto Crisci MBE, from Epsom, was awarded the City and Guilds of London Institute's Prince Philip Medal by Princess Anne on Wednesday, June 8.

He was celebrated at the Prince Philip Medal ceremony at which the guild recognises achievement in science, technology or industrial development.

The Prince Philip Medal is awarded to those who have made the most of their talents and seen significant success since completing their City & Guilds qualification. Mr Crisci

earned City and Guilds qualifications in food preparation, cooking and food service.

Mr Crisci founded the Clink Charity in 2009, opening the first Clink Restaurant at HMP High Down. The charity now runs four restaurants across the country which are staffed by prisoners and contribute to their rehabilitation by giving them recognised qualifications for when they are released.

Mr Crisci said: “Working with and training offenders, ex-offenders and the homeless through City & Guilds training programmes means I see all their hard work come to fruition.

“Not only have our graduates gained their hospitality qualifications and put them to good use, but they have learned valuable life skills and confidence,



Alberto Crisci and Princess Anne

enabling them to become stronger and offering a better future for them as individuals and for their families, friends and society.

“I feel very proud to be recognised and awarded this prestigious award.”

Mr Crisci became a chef at HMP High Down in 1994 after eight years running his own wine bar and restaurant.

Since its inception seven years ago the Clink Charity has expanded and now re-

cruits, trains, supports, employs and mentors prisoners and ex-offenders.

And prisoners can now work towards a City & Guilds qualification in horticulture at one of three Clink Gardens.

Chris Jones, chief executive at City and Guilds Group said: “Alberto has had an incredible career and is truly deserving of this award.

“You cannot help but be inspired by his story and everything he has achieved, from starting out as a top chef, to setting up the Clink Restaurants and gardens.

“His vision and commitment has helped support so many re-offenders, who often struggle to re-enter society, and give them a second chance. It is an honour to recognise his achievements with this award.”

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Deaths

RAYMOND CAREY

A loving Husband, Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather passed away on 07/06/2016.

Friends and family will gather at North East Surrey Crematorium on Tuesday 28th June at 12pm to celebrate and remember his life.

Obituary

RAYMOND EDWARD ELPHICK

(Known as Ray)
Sadly passed away 25th May 2016. Funeral at Randalls Park Crematorium on Monday 27th June at 2.00pm. Will be sadly missed by family and friends.

PATRICIA KINANE

Died at home on 30th May aged 87. Formerly a teacher at Pound Lane School, Epsom, during the 70's and 80's. Funeral Service Monday 27th June at 12.30pm Randalls Park Crematorium.

In Memoriam

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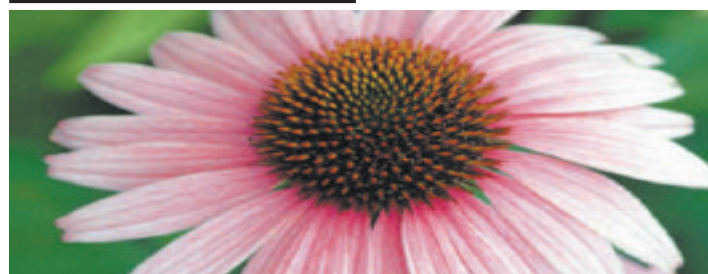
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Thousands celebrate Scout centenary



Evan Thomas, Luke Sullivan, Dillan Ramaiya and Edward Tyrrell

ABOUT 2,000 Cub Scouts converged on the Hook Arena on Saturday to celebrate 100 years of Cub Scouting, writes Theo Webley

Cubs from across Surrey took on more than 100 activities including quad biking, Zorbing and bungee running. A lunchtime ceremony saw the eight-to-10-year-olds representing their packs by carrying 100 different flags which symbolised events from each year since Scouting was founded in 1916. Organiser Ali Tickett said: "A massive thank-you to everyone who came to help. The challenge of a new site coupled with mud reminiscent of your soggiest camp ever but 2,500 people on it gave us a day that will be with us for a long time."

Cubs drawn from across the borough shared in the celebration of 100 years of cub scouting on Saturday at the Hook



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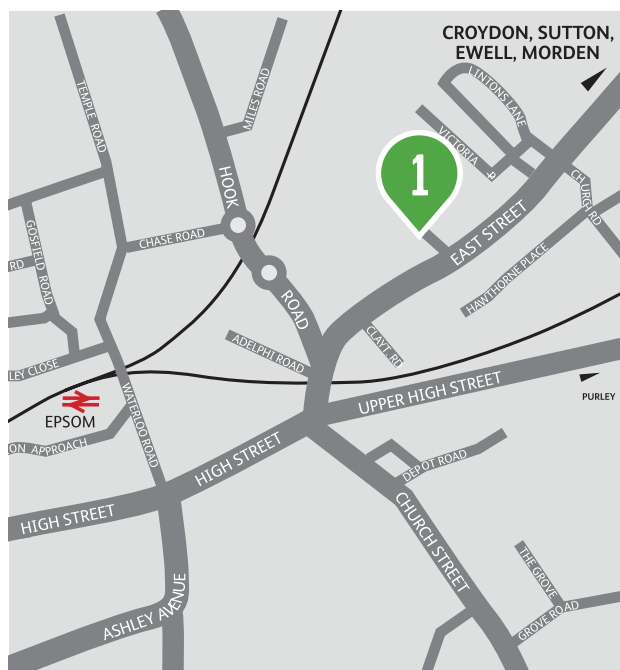
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So what exactly is a Hybrid? It's a car that combines a petrol or diesel engine with an electric motor to pull itself along. The way it does this can vary, some cars use an electric motor to aid traditional engines giving greater power when it's needed and recovering energy from braking. Others go one step further and allow electric only running for short periods around town, these cars are available as plug in Hybrids, which means longer batteries can be charged from the mains to allow 20-30 miles of electric only running.

Golf Hybrid GTE

Powerful, sporty and responsive, combining GTI dynamics with e-Golf sustainability and economy. Drive up to 31 miles when fully charged in all-electric mode, and up to 580 miles when petrol and electric are combined.

Volkswagen has achieved outright victory in the prestigious Green Apple Awards for one of its most highly praised new models – the Volkswagen Golf GTE.

The Green Apple automotive awards –

now in their fifth year – are bestowed by The Green Organisation, a not-for-profit group which invites entries from across the industry.

As has become the custom, the awards were this year once again presented at the Houses of Parliament in London.

The innovative Volkswagen Golf GTE triumphed in its class – 'electric hybrids or pure electric vehicles' – as well as taking the overall title of Green Apple Champion 2015 in the influential awards, voted for by automotive experts from the Midland Group of Motoring Writers.

The Golf GTE is powered by a combination of petrol engine and electric motor. Capable of returning up to 166 mpg, and with CO2 emissions measured at just 39 g/km, the innovative plug-in hybrid model has already scooped a series of prominent automotive industry awards including the Green category in the annual Business Car Fleet Technology Awards.

It offers up to 204 PS for genuinely spirited performance, merging GTI dynamics with e-Golf electric credentials. At the touch of the 'GTE' button, the electric motor and 1.4-litre TSI petrol engine combine to deliver a 0-62 mph time of 7.6 seconds and a top speed of 138mph, where the law permits. Maximum torque of 350 Nm is available from just 1,600 rpm and, when fully charged in all-electric mode, the Golf GTE has an

electric range of up to 31 miles**. When electric and petrol combine, the total range is 580 miles**.

One Midland Group judge said of the winning Golf GTE: "It's engineered like a Volkswagen, feeling solid and safe, while the hybrid system returns some superb figures when driven like a hybrid should be. For those days where there's an empty



country road it turns into a proper GTI, handling the extra weight with aplomb and proving you don't need to make many compromises to produce a viable green choice."

Welcoming the success of the Golf GTE in the 2015 Green Apple Awards Alex Smith, Director of Volkswagen UK, said: "The Golf GTE is a clear winner, with an unbeatable mix of spirited GTI-style performance and exceptional economy. The car showcases Volkswagen's progress in the area of plug-in hybrid technology and stands as a real testament to the engineering strength and driving appeal of our cars."

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Another unexpected surprise from the best-selling electric car in Europe, is that it is a full 5-seater, with one of the biggest boot spaces in its category, making the LEAF perfect for family time at the weekend. Coupled with the benefit of zero Congestion Charge and zero road tax[^], it is easy to see why many customers that purchase the LEAF as a second car end up using it 95% of the time due to the saving made on commuting as well as personal journeys.

*Average UK cost of petrol per gallon: 588.7p/60.1mpg=9.8p. Fuel costs as per the AA fuel report March 2014. **Figures used in this calculation are based on British Gas Clear & Simple Economy 7 unit rates for a LEAF 3.3kW customer paying by direct debit as at 1 January 2014, assuming 7 hours of charging at the night rate and one hour at the daytime rate, 95% charging efficiency. A daily standing charge of 26p also applies. £2.03/124 miles = 1.64 pence per mile. ^daily congestion charge does not apply, although there is £10 registration of your electric vehicle per year. ^^Based on New European Driving Cycle (NEDC). Range figures are obtained from laboratory testing and intended for comparisons between vehicles and may not reflect real driving results. Actual range may vary due to driving style, road condition, air conditioning and other factors outside of our control.

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Main Ring

There are so many fantastic attractions in the main ring this year to suit all tastes and ages.

Amazing attractions this time include:

- Karsten Daniels is an internationally recognised bird trainer. His passion for his birds is evident in all that he does with them in their training. Not just specialising in falconry, he trains birds such as vultures and storks amongst others. He has displayed his birds at large venues such as Leeds Castle and worked for Colchester Zoo too.

- The thrilling Stunt Monkeys, are motorbike riders performing breathtaking displays. The Stunt Monkeys have wowed crowds at 100's of shows over the years and include two of Britain's top-ranked trials stunt riders.
- There is fun to be had with the Circus Workshops and shows which are so popular with the children who can get involved.
- The Gumboots and Zulu African Dancers as seen at the Royal Albert Hall, Snape Maltings and many other renowned venues. After watching their show, why not join one of their classes to learn how to Zulu Dance yourself?

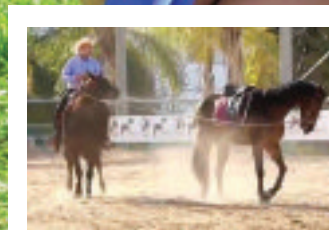
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HISTORIC CRAFTS: Bird training and medieval archery



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As well as all of these fabulous attractions, there will be K9 Security doing some stunt demonstrations with dogs, always a winner with the show's visitors.

There's also an amazing children's area with so much to do and see for free, whether it be Punch and Judy shows, magic shows, Circus Shows, Amazing Reptiles and their talks on boa constrictors (where you can even hold one for yourself) as well as lots of old-fashioned fun.

Talks and cookery

There will be the fabulous Cookery Demonstration Theatre where there will be a series of interesting talks throughout the day. This year there are many fantastic chefs including Claudio Binoletto from Writtle College, Julie Foster the Suffolk Forager, Tastes of Africa

and many others. Don't forget to enter the show's Junior Classic British Bake Off which is open to all ages.

Music

There are eight bands playing daily, all from up-and-coming musicians who are incredibly talented.



FESTIVALS OF DOGS

Alongside the music there are the wonderful Jive Dancers, always a firm favourite with the show's visitors.

The Festival of Dogs is the dog event with something for everybody. This is a fun dog show running on both days with more than 25 classes including best in show (see right). As well as many exciting attractions, professionals and celebrities,

fantastic talks and demonstrations, the Festivals of Dogs is set to be a shopping extravaganza.

These events, which take place all over the UK, host live demonstrations across two rings which will have an array of interesting, different and fun displays, including performances by many professionals, celebrities, trainers and experts. Two Talk Areas will be packed full of

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The Immigration Act 2016 received royal assent on May 12 and will come into effect in the UK, possibly as soon as the autumn. It contains significant new allowances for landlords to act against those who fail Right to Rent checks.

While full details of the act have yet to be published, occupiers will lose all their rights to remain in a property if they are all found to be in the UK illegally. Current legislation allows landlords to serve a 28-day notice to quit.

In cases where only some of the people occupying a property do not pass the Right to Rent criteria, a variety of different

eviction processes exist. One of these is a new mandatory ground for possession, which has been created by lawmakers and will be known as act 7B under a Section 8 notice.

Carole Charge, technical and compliance director at property specialist Leaders, says: "The Immigration Act 2016 contains substantial new powers for landlords and makes it easier for them to evict people who have no right to be living in the country."

"These new measures will make it easier to enforce immigration laws and to prevent illegal immigrants from accessing housing."

"More information and guidance is still to come, at which point we will know more about the precise options available to

landlords looking to evict illegal occupants. We certainly support the new act and believe the early signs are that it will provide landlords with invaluable legal backing."

"Landlords should ensure they keep an eye on the information the government will publish in the coming months."

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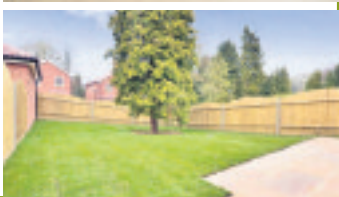
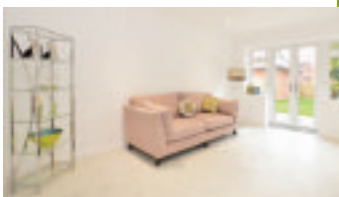
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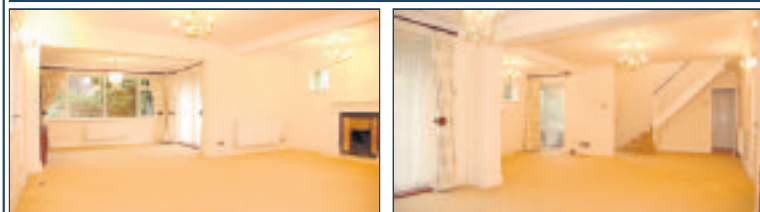
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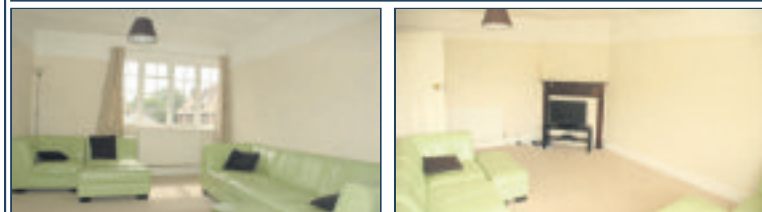


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MUSIC – Singing Croydon's Heritage at Waterside Centre, South Norwood Lakes, from 1pm to 5.15pm on Saturday: From Samuel Taylor Coleridge to David Bowie, Catherine Pestano and Katie Rose lead singing of songs that celebrate Croydon's musical and natural her-

itage. Tickets cost £25 or £15. Go to singingcroydonsheritage.eventbrite.com for further information.
FILM – The Secret Life of Pets, out Friday: From the makers of Despicable Me and starring the voice talents of Louis CK and Kevin Hart, this animated family movie is about a pair of mismatched dogs in a Manhattan apartment who come up against a seemingly adorable white rabbit and his army of abandoned pets with an evil scheme.

A new drama about dysfunctional hard-drinking friends which opens in Battersea at the end of the month started life in a completely different form.

"It actually came from a poem, funnily enough," playwright Kathryn O'Reilly told What's on about her debut production, *Screwed*, which opens at Theatre503 on June 28.

"The poem itself was a comedy and it was quite crude and it was about these girls that fantasised over these guys and how the guys looked and what they would do with them in bed and stuff like that.

"As I started to write into a play, the characters got darker and darker."

Screwed follows factory workers Luce and Charlene.

O'Reilly said: "You have got these 30-something women who are carrying on in a way they did when they were 19, 20, 21, 25. They are still in that lifestyle.

"They are binge-drinking alcoholics, they are thrillseekers and they are looking for immediate gratification. They are co-dependant and they are a bit of a double act.

"They work and work is a big part of someone's self. They go out, they get smashed, and they turn up at work and think they are doing a great job."

While the audience will feed off the pair's fun-loving search of a good time, O'Reilly said there is something much less carefree and comedic underlying their behaviour.

She said: "Essentially they are a double act and they go out and have a great time and hopefully the audience go on that journey with them and see the great time that they have.

"They talk about all their sexual conquests and they are constantly vibing off each other.

"I think beneath all that confidence and bravado there is a sense of self hatred. There are other things they are covering up.

"There are a lot of underlying issues they haven't deal with. Part of the reason is that because they are binge-drinking alcoholics, they haven't really grown up. They haven't grown up mentally and they haven't

What's on

Actress and playwright Kathryn O'Reilly talks to JIM PALMER about her debut play *Screwed* which comes to Theatre503 in Battersea next week...



BAD GIRLS

grown up emotionally.

"It is not just a comedy, there are some quite hard-hitting issues in the play."

Screwed is Surrey actress and Brit School graduate O'Reilly's first drama to come to the stage. She is co-producing and was initially set to star as well before stepping back and helping to cast the central duo of Eloise Joseph (The

Inbetweeners Movie) and Samantha Robinson.

And while she will attend some of the rehearsals, O'Reilly admitted she won't even get to see her own play launch as she's currently starring in the West End smash political satire *A View from Islington North*.

She said: "It is funny, isn't it, it feels like everything comes at once.

"You have moments of nothing and then all of a sudden everything comes in. It is a balancing act but I quite like that.

"I like having lots of different things to focus on because in a funny way it keeps you grounded as well. You have been far more practical when you have lots happening.

"And you know that when

it's over, it's over. That's the thing about theatre, it's always fleeting.

She added: "Someone said to me 'it is going to be the highlight of your life sitting in the auditorium and seeing your play for the first time'. That I'm really thrilled about and really looking forward to.

"I'm very, very excited to see it because I've been working on

it for a long time and so many people have been involved in helping it come to fruition that I think when I'm there and I can actually see it I think it will hit me more."

***Screwed* is at Theatre503 in Battersea from June 28 to July 23. Tickets cost £15 or £12 or pay what you can on Sundays. For more details visit theatre503.com.**



Summer is here in London, which can only mean it's rapidly approaching Wimbledon time, writes **Sam Bradley**.

On June 27, the eyes of the sporting world will turn to the hallowed (and perfectly manicured to exactly 8mm) grass courts of the All England Club.

To get a sense of the atmosphere of the whole occasion, and to make sure preparations are all on track, I signed up for a tour of the courts and museum.

I was instantly engrossed by the wide array of exhibitions and activities in the museum;

from items dating back to the first Championships in 1877 to a very entertaining game where visitors can test their reflexes against those of a professional tennis player.

Tour guide Keith blew us away with his passion and knowledge about absolutely anything tennis related. The tour is a leisurely stroll around the grounds and manages to include everything of interest, from sitting on centre court seats to tours of the interview rooms, broadcast centre and even the players areas.

I can't wait to experience it

during the championship – see you there.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW: Tours of Wimbledon can be booked on the website wimbledon.com and last about two hours. The cost for the museum and tour is £24 for adults.

A small number of tickets to the Championships can be obtained online the day before play, however most public tickets are obtained by queuing outside the stadium. During the Championships, the museum is only open to ticket holders.

Visit wimbledon.com

TECHTALK

Whether you're still on the look-out for a great late Father's Day present or you want to get your hands on some great tech yourself, the guys at Digitalised have some top picks...

In the week Sainsbury's was announced as the largest vinyl retailer in the UK, we thought we should include a record player and let the DJ's dust off their old collection and roll back the years.

With so much choice available we decided to recommend the **Pro-Ject Elemental**. Even though it is a budget player, it was plug and play and didn't disappoint. Available from £150.

Next up we have the **Denon HEOS Cinema**. This sound bar comes with a wireless subwoofer to bring your movies and sport to life. A perfect addition to accompany the Euro 2016 tournament. Not only is it a great addition to your TV setup, it can be used as a part of a multi room audio setup. Available from £399.

An adrenalin junky? Why not treat yourself to an action cam? Designed to capture every jump, splash and fall.

We recommend the **GoPro Hero4**. Capable of 4K video and supplied with a waterproof housing he can capture all the action whether above or below water. From £400.

Finally, for the Lego enthusiasts among us, we have the **Lego Porsche 911 GT3 RS kit**. Admittedly not that techy, this is the perfect gift for the Lego and car enthusiasts and one definitely not for children. It comes with an extensive manual and also a chunky price tag of £250.

Written by Mark Evans from Digitalised, your local home technology experts. Follow @Digitalised_ or visit digitalised.com



EPSOM DOWNS RACECOURSE'S GENERAL MANAGER, SIMON DURRANT

The Investec Derby Festival yet again attracted huge crowds to cheer on two days of top class racing – it continues to be one of the most talked about events in the British sporting and social calendar.

We saw the feature race on day one, The Investec Oaks, won by super filly Minding, winner of the QIPCO 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket earlier this season. Then, in the Investec Derby Harzard, trained by Dermot Weld, took the title and the richest prize money in British racing. This gave the 39-year-old jockey Pat Smullen his first win in the World's Greatest Flat Race from eight rides.

Away from the racing, we were once again privileged to welcome Her Majesty The Queen to Epsom Downs Racecourse on Derby Day and we were delighted that she accepted the offer to present the Investec Derby Trophy for the first time ever, in honour of her 90th birthday. Her Majesty was welcomed on to the racecourse by several local choirs leading racegoers in singing the National Anthem. We thank all of the local choirs that took part in welcoming our Monarch to Investec Derby Day in this special year.

On Investec Ladies Day we welcomed a host of top female sports stars, including Denise Lewis, Victoria Pendleton, Jenny Jones, Leah Williamson and retired top female jockey Hayley Turner. Our Style Award was judged by model and TV presenter Vogue Williams. Her winner, local lady Katherine Wheatley, won the use of Bentley car for a weekend, a Bentley handbag worth £3,500, hospitality for The Corrs at Epsom Downs this summer and a Bloom hamper.

This year we saw Epsom Town Centre really embrace the horserace that makes the town famous around the world, with support from What's on in Epsom and the Ashley Centre. Local schools took part in painting the racehorse models hidden in shop windows as part of a treasure hunt, shops entered the Best Dressed Window Competition, won by The Stitch Mouse, and shop staff took part in the Panto Horserace in the market place. We look forward to developing these fun activities with the town in the years to come.

Our next race fixture is on 30 June, where Irish chart-toppers The Corrs will be playing live after racing. This is our only music act this summer, so don't miss your chance to enjoy a great evening of racing followed by class music act – tickets are still available.

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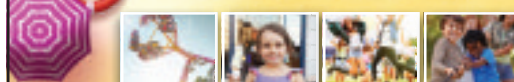
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SPEAKERS DAY: The Epsom Speakers club celebrated its 50th Anniversary at Bourne Hall in Ewell on June 17. The club was founded in October 1966, making it one of the three oldest Toastmasters International clubs in the UK. The special guest for the evening was Councillor George Crawford, the mayor of Epsom.

MIDSUMMER SONGS: Epsom Chamber Choir is performing its Midsummer Songs programme at St Martin's Church, Church Street. The performance, on Saturday, begins at 7.30pm and will include a variety of 20th century English songs. Tickets are £12, or £8 for under 25s when bought in advance. Visit epsomchamberchoir.org.uk

EWELL CASTLE School's Glyn House grounds on Church Street is set to host the Ewell Village Fair. The event returns on Saturday, July 9 from 10.30am to 4pm and will include live music, food stalls, children's activities and a performance from the Morris Men. There will also be a variety of stalls operating across the High Street to the theme of celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday. Entry is £2.50, under 16s go free.

Guardian reporter in journalism address

REPORTER
AMY WALKER

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EPSOM Guardian reporter Craig Richard visited members of the Epsom and Ewell University of the Third Age last week to discuss how he got into journalism, a day in the life of a reporter and the challenges facing local newspapers.

Mr Richard, 25, gave a speech at King's Church in Longmead Road, Epsom and took part in a question and answers session on Thursday, June 16.

The reporter told them how his love of writing stemmed from penning music reviews on community website sputnikmusic.com and how he earned a qualification from the National Council for the Teaching of Journalists (NCTJ) in Manchester after graduating from the University of East Anglia.

Sixteen members of the group listened to his explanation of the challenges facing local journalism and the impact he has already seen dur-



Craig Richard and the Epsom and Ewell branch of the U3A

ing his short career.

The University of the Third Age (U3A) allows retired and semi-retired people to come together and learn together, not for qualifications but for the sheer joy of discovery.

They invite guest speakers to talk on certain subjects and organise educational vis-

its for group members.

The U3A has nearly 1,000 branches in the UK today. The Epsom and Ewell branch of the U3A will always welcome new members.

For more information on the University of the Third Age, visit www.u3asites.org.uk or email u3aesom@gmail.com

Flag raised in honour of servicemen and women

THE Armed Forces Day Flag was raised in driving rain Monday morning, in advance of Saturday's observance of Armed Forces Day.

Cadet Liam Summers, from Glyn School in Epsom, was picked to raise the flag during the ceremony.

Epsom Mayor Cllr George Crawford said: "We are raising the Armed Forces Day flag today to honour the bravery of our servicemen and women, past and present, and to recognise the vital work they carry out to ensure our security at home and abroad."

Epsom was joined by other cities across the UK, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man in a synchronised effort to celebrate Armed Forces Day and the sacrifice of the men and women of the allied forces.

Cllr Crawford said: "Television has bought the ruthless reality of war into our homes, but in our daily life without knowing it we can sit next to someone in the cinema who is on leave, queue in the shops with the partner of someone on tour, stand on the train with the mother of a submariner, share a table



Cadet Liam Summers with the Armed Forces Day Flag

in the pub with the parents of a tornado pilot or have our children in the same playgroup as a geographic technician."

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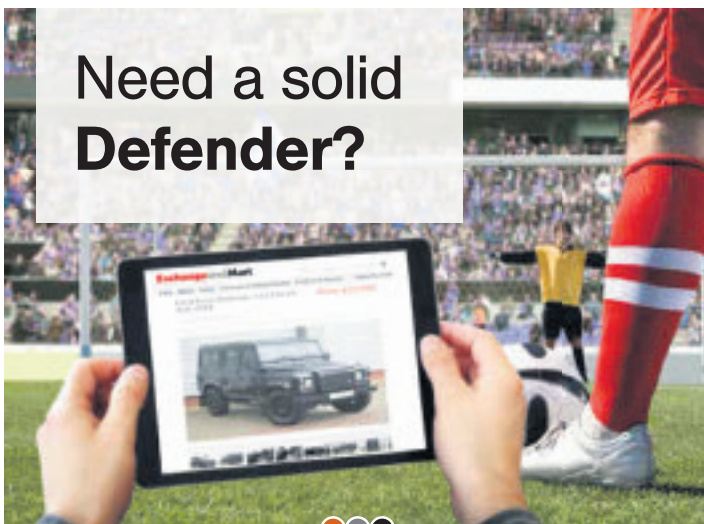
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Connor wants more of the same

EPSOM and Ewell High School's Connor Thomson goes into this weekend's KTM British Junior Cup action at Knockhill in fine fettle after an excellent debut performance last time out.

The teenager, pictured

right, claimed first and two second-place finishes at Brands Hatch last month, and despite only entering the competition in the third round stage he is already eight in the standings, 44 points off the leader.



Silver show: Epsom and Ewell's touch tennis team

Borough finish as runners up

MORE than 200 youngsters from Epsom and Ewell did the borough proud at the P&G Surrey Youth Games, writes Tim Ashton.

The defending champions finished runners-up to Woking this time around.

However, they still came home from the Surrey Sports Park in Guildford with 19 medals, including seven golds, having competed with 10 other boroughs.

There were team golds for girls' rugby, senior table tennis and lacrosse, as well as individual golds for Alice Pendry-Humm, Amelia Askew and Maxwell Jones (junior judo), and Edward Russell (senior judo).

The teams in senior badminton, senior squash, junior squash and touch tennis won silver; and there were bronze medals in junior badminton, girls' hockey, boys' hockey, junior boys' judo and netball.

Romain Chauvin won silver in the junior judo, while William James and Shanie Thomas won bronze in the senior judo.



Silver and gold: The junior squash team, above, took second, while the table tennis team, below, were winners



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ATHLETICS: Harrier holds the record for being the fastest ever Santa, but...

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100 up: Will Cullen and Ollie Garrod are running for the Alzheimer's Society

EPSOM and Ewell Harrier Ollie Garrod is no stranger to long-distance races or adding a mix of fun into parkrun events.

The 33-year-old has completed three marathons and holds the European record for the fastest 5k dressed as Santa Claus at 16 minutes 51 seconds.

However, this weekend it all changes as Garrod and his old training partner Will Cullen, 27, will be running 100 miles from Richmond to Oxford to raise money for the Alzheimer's Society.

The duo have so far raised £2,000, and they are due to start at 3pm on Saturday, with the intention of finishing around 11am on Sunday.



Happy birthday: The Nonsuch parkrun crowd celebrate the 250th running of the meeting

"We chose the Alzheimer's Society as funding in dementia is very low despite its massive impact on more than 800,000 people," Garrod said.

"Dementia is one of the few diseases we could feasibly find a cure for, so research is absolutely crucial."

Garrod's furthest distance to date is 36 miles, but he is no stranger to the shorter format having won last weekend's 250th running of the Nonsuch parkrun – his 80th at the venue.

However, he admits this weekend is going to be a completely different story.

"Luckily the route is pretty much pancake flat and with plenty of scenic spots along the route," he said.

"The overnight stretch is going to be very hard work both mentally and physically."

"At 2.30am we're due to be running through Reading and the surrounding industrial estates – this will be the 'tough' point."

He added: "Hopefully once

the sun comes up we'll be well on our way at around the 70-mile point with just over a marathon left.

"If any well-connected people could make sure we have good weather, that would be great, and I think it's safe to say Monday morning will be pretty painful."

To sponsor the duo, go to uk.virginmoneygiving.com/WillandOllie100.

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Epsom and England meet - do you want any tips Roy?



A meeting of great minds: Epsom & Ewell boss Glyn Mandeville grants England boss Roy Hodgson a photo while out in Chantilly for a friendly match, and the team have a laugh with England coach Gary Neville

TWO great minds of football collided in Chantilly in France last weekend when Epsom & Ewell boss Glyn Mandeville met England head coach Roy Hodgson.

The Salts were at England's Euro 2016 base for a friendly with French non-League side US Chantilly – which ended in a 5-2 defeat, and two goals for Rob Hendry.



Chantilly is twinned with Epsom, and the game took place on Saturday next to England's training pitch.

The national side may need to call upon the Salts'

strikeforce after a 0-0 draw with Slovakia on Monday saw them qualify for the last 16 in second place, and, until last night's games, unsure of who they face on Monday.

SPORTSbrief

ATHLETICS: Mark Todd led home a 10-strong Tadworth AC contingent in Sunday's Ranelagh Richmond 10K, finishing 139th of 491 runners in 40 minutes 22 seconds. Peter Rand was the second man aged over 60, coming home 153rd in 40:56, and won silver for his class in the Surrey 10K Championships, held in conjunction with the race. Steve Burke (220th, 43:12) completed the three-to-score men's team. Sarah Bell (403rd, 51:16) was Tadworth's leading lady.

SWIMMING: Epsom District Swimming Club were in good form at the Surrey Summer Age Group meeting, held over two weekends at the Guildford Spectrum. They returned home with 40 medals, including 14 golds. Meanwhile, Charlie Hinde, 18, has been selected to swim in the 1,500m freestyle finals of the National Swimming Championships in August.

MOTOR-RACING: Not being familiar with the Croft Park circuit cost Banstead motor driver Matt Flowers time and places in the latest round of the Protyre Motorsport Ginetta GT5 Challenge last weekend. An eighth and ninth-place finish left the 27-year-old disappointed, but he remains fifth in the overall standings. The Challenge moves on to Spa Francorchamps on July 8.

CRICKET: Ashted are third in the Surrey Championship Premier Division table after they avoided the weekend rain to win at Beddington by 130 runs. The star was Matthew Friedlander, who bagged a hat-trick in figures of 5-30 to skittle the hosts for just 71 – meaning a knock of 50 by clubmate Guy Harper in Ashted's first innings score of 201 was more than enough. The two sides are due to go head to head again on Thursday in T20 action, before Ashted play host to Sutton in the league on Saturday.

CRICKET: Epsom remain third in Division Two after a seven-wicket win over Esher. After sharing the wickets in skittling the visitors for just 92, Epsom were never in trouble with the bat, hitting the winning runs in the 22 over. The opposition will be tougher this weekend when second-placed Farnham are the visitors.

CRICKET: Leatherhead and Banstead's Division One games against Old Rutlishians and Chipstead Coulsdon & Walcottians respectively fell foul of the weather – they hope for less rain this weekend when Leatherhead go to Chipstead and Banstead go to Old Ruts.



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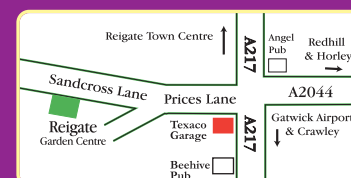
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